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Int. ① acts 10:34-38.

Example: Do all the good you can!
Every way that you can!
For everybody you can!

note: outside of what we believe, what we do is most important.

① Jas. 1:17. — Jas. 1:27. — Gal. 6:10.

Question: what blessing has God withheld ^{from us?}?
what blessing can we
scripturally withhold from the needy?
what good work are
we expected to do as children of God?

I Can we older Christians STAY in the human race and make whatever contributions to the Kingdom we can?

Why ask? ① Poem suggests the reason:

% Natural Resource by Dr. Mark S. Johnson, U. of So. Alabama College of Medicine. Mobile, Ala.

A. What is old? years? strength? health? illness? weakness? Comment: are there any unhealthy, ill & weak young people? Ill.
% List: AGE

II What can Christians & older Christians ^(2.)
do to further the Kingdom & the
Cause of Christ in this beautiful
city? ~~Keep~~ It. always available on many
subjects of interest. Use variously.
A. Note a truism or two:

1. The Common - usual - average
anything gets No attention.
No interest.
No influence
No value & worth.

2. So - Christians are going to have
to be extra-ordinary and do
extra-ordinary things to:

Must:

Be persistent. Tenacious! Merit attention!

Ignore obstacles

Create some interest!

& set-backs.

Demand some influence!

Try new & diff. things. And be worth something!

note: Have permission to be above average.

3. Ill-health & weakness is no
excuse for being a
do-nothing = be-nothing
Christian - IF we can still
write at all & talk.

needed: Telephone Christians! note-writing Christians!

III Jesus did Good and we can too!
 He was not common - ordinary -
 average not mediocre & NOR
 should we be.

A. To be the Powerful - Effective
 soul - ~~winners~~ we CAN
 be we must be willing
 to stretch-out; ~~extend~~ ourselves
 & touch the lives of others.

Discard timidity & be bold & courageous!

B. How? What? When? Where? Who?

Ill. Speech at Longview one Sat.

Mentioned I probably knew 100
 things Christians & the Church could
 do - beyond the ordinary -
 which could touch lives for Jesus.
takes strong case - gives.

3 prissy ladies asked for the list. A
 case of put up or shut up!

Worked up the list at home & sent them
 each a copy. Ordinary & extraordinary.

C. Want to share just a few of the possibilities for daring Christians:
a lot is women's work!

1. Visit new mothers (all 7 in Leburn) with a handy gift or two for the baby - just to express joy over their new treasure. winner!
2. Est. a city-nursery for children of sick mothers. Few days only.
Provide: adv. in paper. proper investigate.
3. Day-care for poor-working mothers. Contact Public Health Office.
for lease.
4. Mothers' meals - 3 day supply for all new "mothers" in town when return home. check the need!
5. Catering for poor-girls' weddings. Word of mouth will get it started.
6. Cookie-candy treats for local police, firemen & security guards + 24 hr. grocery men, radio +/or T.V. engineers.

7. Something special for garbage men +
post men. *Food or knitted items.
+ track.*
8. Treats for all service-station attendants.
Enjoy the fun of good-will.
9. Treats with rel. lit for jail inmates.
10. *Leisurely* Neighborhood Ladies "Bible study." Emp.
"just the Bible." Leaflets in doors
or postcards. Be persistent. Develop a
favorable reputation + record. *miss H. L.
Hart does.*
11. Call ^{whole} city telephone directory when have
something special. Short + sweet
messages. *Over time will pay off.*
12. Sew, knit + crochet for children in
hospital - dolls, animals + monsters.
13. Video-tape or audio-tape special
*Rel-*events - messages + ado. them in
the daily paper. Rest homes. Hospitals.
14. Tape weddings - baby showers etc. *+ give*
as gift to newly weds or new parents.

15. Attend open ^{public} wedding to off-set small crowds these days. Costs nothing. ^{Funerals also. Sign: Name + church from.}
16. Est. garage-schools for afterschool kids until their parents get home. Puppets + all kinds of teaching techniques. Thrilling Bible Stories. ^{Movies. Game & story time. Adv. in paper. Welcome.}
17. Study-Hall at Ch. Bldg. for serious students. 2 days a week. ^{Help needed.}
18. House - sit homes while family attends funerals. Free service. ^{Vacations also.}
19. "Release-packets" for jail inmates at their release. ^{Need? ask them?}
20. Advertise a free ^{phone} "wake-up" service.
21. Free medicine-time calls to elderly at home.
22. Travel-Aid Service: ^{Free} Rides to Dr's offices, hospitals and clinics.
23. Traveling-Partners: Est. bulletin board + fill empty car seats to larger cities. (Know your passengers!)

24. Christian - "Pick up service". Prescriptions, groceries, cleaning as needed for ill, aged + crippled.

25. Christian - Check-up Service: Simply call people who stay alone each day. Their safety + well-being + a much-needed social contact. no kiss in town.

Inv. Close: Results from "out of the way" services which have borne fruit:

Jenifer Ma + David Zhang. ordinary o.c.c.
+ extra-ordinary.
Joe Lee + Yucatan couple.